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Purum language

Purum (**Purum Naga**) is a Kuki-Chin language of India. However, speakers consider themselves to be ethnic Naga people, rather than part of the Kuki and Chin ethnic groups. Peterson (2017)[3] classifies Purum as part of the *Northwestern* branch of Kuki-Chin. According *Ethnologue*, Purum shares a high degree of mutual intelligibility with Kharam.

Purum	
Native to	India
Region	Manipur
Ethnicity	Purum people
Native speakers	500 (2001 census)[1]
Language family	Sino-Tibetan ▪ (Tibeto-Burman) ▪ Kuki-Chin ▪ Northwestern ▪ **Purum**
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	`puz`
Glottolog	`puru1262 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/puru1262)`[2]

Geographical distribution

Purum is spoken in Phaijol, Laikot, Thuisenpai, and Kharam Pallen villages of Senapati district, Manipur (*Ethnologue*).

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